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### TRADER'S POINT ToxDrop LOCATION RE-OPENS

*Program officials excited about once again expanding opportunity to northwest Indy*

INDIANAPOLIS – The ToxDrop Trader's Point Collection Facility will once again open to offer northwest area residents a convenient location to properly dispose of unwanted and unused household hazardous waste (HHW).

Due to the Lafayette Road over Eagle Creek bridge replacement project, program officials decided to temporarily close the Trader's Point Facility until construction of the new bridge could be completed. The previous bridge was replaced with a three-span, pre-stressed concrete beam bridge.

"The Trader's Point facility is very popular with northwest Indy residents who are acutely aware of the need to keep household hazardous waste out of our sewers and waterways through proper disposal of these materials," said ToxDrop Program Manager Nathan Self. "We're excited about the opportunity to once again offer area residents an easy, convenient way to properly dispose of potentially dangerous household waste."

The facility, located at 7550 N. Lafayette Rd, will resume previous hours of operation on the first and third Saturday of each month, from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

A program of the city's SustainIndy initiative, ToxDrop is a free collection service that makes it easier for Marion County residents to properly dispose of their household hazardous waste year-round. Over the last decade, the ToxDrop program has been able to divert more than a quarter of a million gallons of HHW from the city's sewers, waterways and aquifers through periodic ToxAway events and on scheduled Saturdays. The ToxDrop program is a significant advancement to help residents properly and safely dispose of HHW. For a list of accepted materials and additional collection sites, visit [www.sustainindy.org/toxdrop.cfm](http://www.sustainindy.org/toxdrop.cfm).

Mayor Ballard launched SustainIndy and created the Office of Sustainability in October, 2008. SustainIndy is a bold and innovative enterprise aimed at delivering long-term cost savings to the City, building the local economy, improving our quality of life and enhancing our environmental and public health. Its efforts are designed to aggressively move Indianapolis forward in making it one of the most sustainable cities in the Midwest.

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